

CITY OF DARLINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

APRIL 5, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dave Breunig at 7:00 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was then recited. Present at roll call were: Dave Gough, Don Osterday, Felix Pereza and Cindy Corley. Excused absence: John Sonsalla and Steve Pickett. Also present were: Bill McDaniel, Brian Lund, Dale Wiegel, Jeremy Williams, Doug Lindstrom, Tony Ruesga, Ted Thuli, Stan Krahenbuhl, Al Hinderman, Jason King and Phil Risseeuw.

Motion by Gough second by Osterday that the meeting notice and agenda were properly posted. Motion carried. Motion by Gough second by Pereza to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

Under unfinished business, representatives of the Driver Opera House Board attended the meeting to update those present on their building remodeling project. Stan Krahenbuhl and Ted Thuli attended the meeting to present the information and answer questions. They brought along copies of the draft building plans for the project for Council review. They also had some questions they need answered prior to putting this project out for bid. Stan and Ted requested responses from the City Council concerning the following:

- Do we have a variance and if not, can we get a variance to the floodplain zoning ordinance to allow flood walls instead of raising the floors to two feet above the 100 year flood elevation? It was reported the building plans need to be reviewed and approved by the Floodplain Manager at WDNR. If the WDNR approves the floodproofing project, the design will be acceptable to the City.
- Can the construction project block part of W. Ann Street for staging materials? This would be for fill gravel, job box, etc., and will mostly be in the parking spaces. It was the consensus of the Council the request was acceptable.
- Will the City allow an ADA ramp along the building on the W. Ann Street sidewalk? It was the consensus of the Council that this request was also acceptable.
- Will the City pay for a water main extension on W. Ann Street, from Main Street to Washington Street? Due to the floodproofing of the Driver Opera House, the existing water main will be removed. That water line also provides water service to the River View Annex hotel. The project engineer is recommending the connection of water service to the Driver Opera House and River View Annex hotel from a new six inch water main on W. Ann Street, instead of coming off Main Street. Jeremy Williams stated a negative to this request is the contaminated soil in W. Ann Street. The removal of the contaminated soil and additional water main installation requirements will increase the cost of a water main extension. Jeremy Williams was then instructed to obtain a cost estimate for a water main extension on W. Ann Street; and the matter will be discussed further at the next Council meeting.
- Will the City submit a grant application on behalf of the Driver Opera House for the State Main Street Program funds that are available? It was reported the Driver Opera House Board currently employs a grant writer, and he would be able to complete the grant application. It was the consensus of the Council to allow the Driver Opera House Board to again use the City of Darlington to apply for grant funds.

After their presentation and discussion, Stan Krahenbuhl and Ted Thuli then left the meeting.

Discussion was then held concerning a new proposal received for 2016 sewer main slip lining. A copy of a proposal from Visu-Sewer was included in the agenda packet. At the previous Council meeting, \$91,800.00 was approved for 3400 feet of sewer main slip lining at a cost of \$27.00 per foot. Jeremy Williams reported, since that meeting he received another slip lining proposal from Visu-Sewer for similar work, but at \$23.75 per linear foot. In addition, they propose to reline the walls of fifteen manholes at a cost of \$115.00 per vertical feet, based on a minimum of 117 vertical feet. The two proposals come to a total cost of \$97,245.00. Jeremy stated with the new proposal more work can be done for little additional costs.

Additional discussion was held with Attorney McDaniel on how to proceed. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Perez to rescind their motion made at the March 15, 2016 Council meeting approving the \$91,800.00 sewer main slip lining project. Motion carried. Motion by Osterday second by Gough to accept the two proposals from Visu-Sewer for slip lining of 3528 liner feet of sewer main, and 117 vertical feet of sewer manholes; and the total proposed cost of \$97,245.00 as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the proposed cost to add a street light at Pelco Drive and STH 81. A copy of the cost estimate from representatives of Alliant Energy was included in the agenda packet. The proposed cost to install a new street light would be \$1,182.40; and a yearly charge of \$168.71. Jeremy Williams presented the information and answered questions. Jeremy then reported he found out the current street light at Center Drive and STH 81 could be rehabbed at no cost to the City, changing the bulbs to LED and changing the direction of the street light head. After discussion and consideration, it was the consensus of those present to rehab the current street light, and see if that helps the lighting at that intersection.

Under new business, discussion was held concerning an application for temporary Class "B" Retailer's License from Darlington Chamber/Main Street Program from 8:00 AM on May 14, 2016 thru 1:00 AM on May 15, 2016; for a fenced in area in the Festival Grounds for Cinco de Mayo. A copy of the license application and approval letter from Chief King were included in the agenda packet. After discussion and consideration, motion by Gough second by Corley to approve the temporary Class "B" Retailer's License application from Darlington Chamber/Main Street Program as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning a request from the Cinco de Mayo Committee to place a banner across Main Street regarding the Cinco de Mayo event; from April 14, 2016 thru May 14, 2016. A copy of the banner design was included in the agenda packet. It was reported the City crew will install the banner; and Chief King reported he already requested permission from WDOT to install the banner above the state highway. After discussion and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Gough to authorize the placement of a Cinco de Mayo banner above Main Street as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendation from the Finance and Personnel Committee. This meeting was held just prior to this Council meeting.

- Approve the hiring of a Public Works employee. Mayor Breunig reported the Committee is recommending the hiring of John Kammerud for the Public Works position; with a starting wage of \$18.00 per hour; and an estimated starting date of sometime after April 19, 2016.

After discussion and consideration, motion by Corley second by Gough to accept the Committee's recommendation and hire John Kammerud for the Public Works position as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning the following recommendations from the Park and Recreation Committee. A copy of the meeting minutes was included in the agenda packet.

- Approve the hiring of the following summer employees for the Pool, Parks, Recreation Programs and Concession Stand. **Swimming Pool** – Hope Robiolio, Manager; Lysianne Peacock, Assistant Manager; Payton Steiner, Jason Singer, Bailey McDonald, Molly McDaniel, Hunter Wilkinson, Paige Schilling, Tyler Torstensen-Harris, Jesse Sturtz, Madison Weber, Sadie Fitzsimons, Blake Cwynar, Jaci Moseley and Seth Johnson, Lifeguards. **Parks** – Jim Polkinghorn, Jerry Douglas and Glen Kendall. **Recreation Programs** – John Sturtz, Griffin Heinberg, Will Schwartz and Tyler Osterday. **Concession Stand** – Carly Langkamp and Chelsie Golackson. Alderperson Osterday reported this list of employees was recommended for approval by Doug Lindstrom, and the Committee agrees with his recommendation. After discussion and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Gough to approve the hiring of the summer employees for the Pool, Parks, Recreation Programs and Concession stand as presented. Motion carried.
- Approve price quote for portable restrooms. Alderperson Osterday reported the Committee is recommending the hiring of Bullseye Portable Restroom, LLC in the amount of \$884.00 for two portable restrooms. After discussion and consideration, motion by Osterday second by Perez to approve the hiring of Bullseye Portable Restroom, LLC for two portable restrooms as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion was then held concerning a request from Lafayette County Human Services to rent two to three rooms for a couple months in the Darlington Municipal Building. A copy of a letter from Bill Moody concerning this request was included in the agenda packet. Al Hinderman attended the meeting to present information and answer questions. He also provided a floorplan map showing the area Human Services would like to rent. Laf. County has the upstairs property rented through April 30, 2016; and they plan on vacating the property the week of April 18, 2016.

Discussion was then held concerning the sq. ft. rental price that should be charged for the area being requested, and how long the Council is willing to rent that area to Laf. County. After discussion and consideration, motion by Corley second by Gough to approve the rental of the file room, conference room and as many offices as needed for \$10.00 per sq. ft. payable monthly, for sixty days. Motion carried.

Motion by Gough second by Osterday to approve the payment of the following March, 2016 vouchers: City vouchers #37019 thru #37105 in the amount of \$134,318.34; Direct deposit payroll vouchers #5895 thru #5963 in the amount of \$52,833.83; Water Dept. vouchers #5357 thru #5381 in the amount of \$83,678.81; Sewer Dept. vouchers #6159 thru #6180 in the amount of \$77,809.76; and Library vouchers #5270 thru #5279 in the amount of \$11,165.78. Motion carried.

Under reports of committees, Mayor Breunig reported on the Library Board meeting held March 28, 2016. A copy of the meeting minutes was distributed to those present at this meeting. And Mayor Breunig encouraged those present to attend several upcoming community events.

There being no further business for this meeting, motion by Pereza second by Corley to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 PM. Motion carried.

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Philip A. Risseuw, Clerk-Treasurer